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In re Application of :
Lefevre, Christophe :
Serial No. 09/836,158 :
Filed: April 17, 2001 :
For: SOLID COMBUSTIBLE ELEMENT FOR :
DISINTEGRATING A COMBUSTION DEPOSIT :
LAYER AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING :
SUCH AN ELEMENT :

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL
FROM ISSUE

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue after payment of the issue fee because at the time of payment of the extension of time and notice of appeal fees on November 3, 2003, the applicant did not qualify for small entity status. As there was no previous authorization in the file to charge the balance of fees due the case is held to be abandoned for failure to timely reply to the final Office action of May 22, 2003. As such, the application is being withdrawn from issue to process a Notice of Abandonment.

The above-identified application is hereby withdrawn from issue.

The issue fee is refundable upon written request. If, however, the application is again found allowable, the issue fee can be applied toward payment of the issue fee in the amount identified on the new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due upon written request. This request and any balance due must be received on or before the due date noted in the new Notice of Allowance in order to prevent abandonment of the application.

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The above-identified application is being forwarded to the examiner for prompt appropriate action, including notifying applicant of the new status of this application.



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